

PBCC EMERITUS FACULTY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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Message from the President ... *Bill Wilson*

Our Spring Emeritus Faculty meeting was well attended, including seven guests: Don Asher (who is now a member!), Joyce Bussell, Betty Butler, Pat Dolan, John Meyer, Sue Millard, and Rosalie Morissey.

The Nominating Committee presented its recommended slate of officers for election. These recommended candidates were elected by unanimous vote:

President – Bill Wilson

Vice President – Kathleen Asher

Secretary – Joan Young

Treasurer – Honey Duncan

The current committee members were reappointed for another term:

- Program Committee,
- Opportunities Committee,
- Recruitment/Retention Committee.

Mark Alexander, Director of the 20-year-old Duncan Theatre on the Lake Worth Campus, spoke to us at the meeting. After briefly explaining some of his background and experience, he described the

many programs offered at the theatre. He also encouraged members to volunteer at the theatre as ushers, writers of study guides, etc. Mark can be reached at (561) 868-3314 or www.pbcc.edu/duncan.

The drawing for a \$50 gift certificate for Atlantis Country Club was won by Ruth Dooley, who graciously declined to accept it because she had won it once before. Ruth drew another name and the prize went to Marjorie Toomath!

I am concerned about our membership numbers. We have many retirees eligible to join us, but not a large number do so. For a very small dues fee we can keep in touch with colleagues we have worked with as friends for years. Yet many retire and do not join the EFA. Others move away or decide to sever all alliances with their College work past. Such is mysterious to me. I like to know where these friends are and what their new lives are like.

As we are all aware, prices for everything keep rising. Other organizations that I belong to have all raised their dues. Atlantis has raised the cost of our Holiday Party. We are, however, keeping our modest dues the same. We can do this as long as our membership grows and dues are paid.

Our Fall meeting will be on Friday, October 26, 11:00 a.m., Faculty Dining Room, Lake Worth Campus, and will include lunch as usual. Let's have a good turnout!

Helen Darcey is no longer able to be on the Social Welfare Committee, but Honey Duncan and Mary Bosworth have volunteered to help. This past year, if you knew of someone who was in distress or ill, you had to call me. My daughter and two-year-old granddaughter are now living with me, so--in distress--I have called myself several times!

We are counting on all of you.

See you October 26!



NEWS OF MEMBERS

Frank and Kathy Adams are still enjoying life in northwest Georgia, where their garden produces abundant fresh vegetables for sharing and freezing. They repeat their invitation to any of you who travel on I-75 through Rome to "stop by and enjoy our view of Lavender Mountain." (For information on the scholarship they have established at Berry College, see the article on the next page.)

Hugh Albee reports that he is recovering from illness.

Gene Arant, professor of art from 1968 through 2000, died in August. His obituary, written by Art Editor Gary Schwan, was featured in *The Palm Beach Post*, 8-11-07, and can be accessed at www.pbpost.com/obits.

Virginia Brooks is involved in activities at First Baptist Church (West Palm Beach), Palm Beach Christian Coalition, and other conservative groups. She and her husband, John, travel to their vacation home near Norris Lake in east Tennessee as often as they can.

Jan and Joyce Bussell traveled in Australia, New Zealand, and Tahiti in May.

Tom and Betty Butler became great-grandparents this year—a little girl, Kairi Noach.

Dan and Ruth Connolly were on extended travels, but slowed down to teach an adjunct course at PBCC and also at FAU-Davie before they took off again in June for South America, Europe, and Asia.

John and Joanne Connolly sold their Delray Beach house and moved to Gainesville, a subdivision called Haile Plantation.

Don and Mary Cook were in Missouri in September to attend a family reunion and Don's 60th high school reunion.

Banna Ghioto was a speaker for the Forgotten Soldiers Association on Memorial Day.

Patrick Haney writes that he is "fat, dumb and happily retired in God's country."

Joanne Kelly and her husband spent the summer camping in northern California with their son. They are rebuilding the 1920 side of their home in Lake Worth. Joanne is still tutoring in the Math Lab and loving it!

Jonathan Koontz, now 85, is ready to publish his third book since retirement. His daughter now lives with him.

Frank Leahy thanks everyone for all the cards he received on his 80th birthday last December. He says that "maybe being 80 is helping because I am feeling a little better."

Frank Littler moved back to Florida (from California) in July.

Glen and Nancy Marsteller spent another summer in Pigeon Forge, TN, working at Dollywood running the roller coaster.

Stafford Mooney is still teaching (at Indian River CC) and doing some writing. He plans to write about local history.

Eleanor Myatt's brother died last December, leaving her as the only survivor of five siblings. She

relates some interesting information about her family history that she discovered in an article she found on the internet. One of her great-grandfather's cousins was a stagecoach driver in Georgia and among his passengers were Andrew Jackson, Martin Van Buren, Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, and James Polk.

Mary Orsenigo went with an Elder Hostel group to Springfield, Illinois, in early June for six days' exposure to Lincoln. Mary continues to be the customer relations representative for the Bank of Belle Glade and does volunteer work at the courthouse.

Trinette Robinson became a great-grandmother for the third time last spring, so she has fun dividing her time among California, Las Vegas, and West Palm Beach.

Art Schneider writes: "Two weeks in January of visiting the Palm Beaches convinced me that my permanent move to Michigan was the right thing to do. This entire county that is my new home has but one traffic light!"

Frankie Sprague had a busy summer: two granddaughters graduated, one from U of F and one from FAU; one of them was married in July; and Frankie went to the Grand Canyon for a vacation. She just recently had knee replacement surgery.

Marjorie Toomath's win of the \$50-dollar gift certificate at Atlantis Country Club on May 4 was very timely. She and her husband used it to celebrate their 52nd anniversary at Atlantis CC—their "favorite eating place"—on May 8.

Larry Tuttle achieved what many duffers hope for: he shot his age, 87, at golf! His wife, Ann, who has suffered from Alzheimer's for the past seven years, was in hospice care last we heard and losing ground.

Idella Wade reported that she had been sick for some time but was finally "coming around" and hopes to attend the holiday party in December.

Bill Wilson will be going to Las Vegas for a U.S.S. Coral Sea Association reunion in early October. At that time he will be appointed the chairman of the Coral Sea Scholarship Program.

Betty and Bob Woolfe invite everyone to come see them at their home in a retirement village in Orange City, Florida, midway between Orlando and Daytona Beach on the I-4 corridor.

Joan Young continues to be actively involved in the Florida Association of Community Colleges, both at PBCC, where she is an officer in the college's Chapter, and at the state level, where she chairs the Retirees Commission.



FRANK ADAMS ENDOWS SCHOLARSHIP

The following article is reprinted from the Berry College Alumni Association magazine, Winter 2006-2007:

Retired educators endow scholarship for English teachers

Although Dr. Frank Adams (54H, 58C) put his grade book and lesson plans away when he retired in 2001 after 45 years of teaching English, he never stopped wanting to help educate young people.

"I've taught English all my life and enjoyed it," Dr. Adams said, reflecting on his 35 years as a professor at Palm Beach Community College and earlier posts at Mississippi State College for Women and several high schools in Georgia. "I'd like to help someone along the career path that I took."

At Berry, Dr. Adams found a way to do exactly that. With a \$25,000 gift, Dr. Adams and his wife, Kathryn, also a former English teacher, have endowed the Dr. Frank and Kathryn Adams Scholarship, which will be awarded annually to a senior English major with a secondary-education concentration.


"We really hope that the recipients will get into teaching and love it as much as we did," Dr. Adams said.

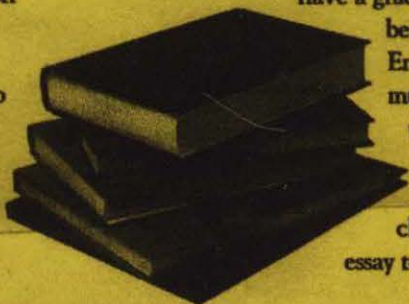
According to Dr. Jim Watkins, chair of the

English, rhetoric and writing department, the gift means a great deal.

"This scholarship can be the difference between whether or not a student will need to take an extra job or incur more debt," Dr. Watkins said. "It also will help us recruit good students into our major. The fact that Frank can reflect on his experience as an English major at Berry and want to give back speaks volumes about the value he found in our program."

Several members of the English faculty already have added to this scholarship, as have members of the Adams' own family. Dr. and Mrs. Adams hoped both would happen, as their ultimate aim is to increase the amount available for award.

To be eligible for the Adams Scholarship, students must demonstrate financial need, have a grade point average of 3.2 or better and wish to teach English as a career. They also must demonstrate superior teaching skills during student-teacher observations in the classroom and submit a short essay to the chair of the department. 



EFA Membership

Recently you should have received an updated list of EFA members' names, addresses, and phone numbers. Please check it carefully to confirm that your information is correct and notice that several addresses have changed.

You will find that some names have been dropped—the names of those members whose mail has been returned to us as "undeliverable." If you have information about the people listed below, please contact Bill Wilson:

John O'Neil

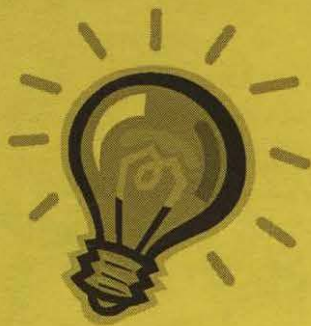
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DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR:

OCTOBER 26, 2007
Meeting

DECEMBER 7, 2007
Holiday Party

DID YOU FORGET?

It's not too late!

Never too late! - to keep up your membership in the Emeritus Faculty Association, where you can keep in touch with your former colleagues at Palm Beach Community College.

You can mail your annual dues to--

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1019 Snowden Drive
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--or you can just come to the meeting on October 26 and pay your dues then.

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(Spouse)

Associate Membership \$5
(Not in P.B. County)